



BU Law LLM Programs

TOP PROGRAMS.
COUNTLESS OPPORTUNITIES.

Non-degree programs

BU Law is a leader in short-term programming designed to prepare foreign-trained lawyers for global practice.

LEGAL ENGLISH PROGRAMS

BU Law and BU's Center for English Language & Orientation Programs (CELOP) offer a range of programs to build communication skills for attorneys who speak English as a second language. The Legal English Certificate Program is offered to students who can commit to a full year of intensive legal English studies and foundational instruction in US law and legal culture. The program is aimed at foreign professionals (including non-lawyers) who seek a legal English training credential.

FINANCIAL SERVICES FUNDAMENTALS

This three-week summer course provides fundamental background knowledge of the financial services industry—its laws, regulations, participants, and products. It is suitable for domestic and foreign-trained lawyers and non-lawyers, including candidates to BU Law's Graduate Program in Banking & Financial Law, who seek a foundational understanding of this dynamic industry. (www.bu.edu/law/fsf)

CERTIFICATES IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW AND ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT & COMPLIANCE

The 12-credit Certificate in Enterprise Risk Management & Compliance is for professionals seeking to advance their skills in assessing and managing risk in an increasingly complex compliance landscape. The Certificate in International Business Law, also 12 credits, enables lawyers to access the blended-learning courses of the Executive LLM in International Business Law, without having to leave their jobs and commit to a degree program. For more information, please visit bu.edu/law/cert.

Enrollment options

Two-Year LLM: Legal English program option

The Two-Year LLM allows students to enroll in the Legal English Certificate Program in their first year, and one of BU Law's LLM programs in their second year. The goal of the Two-Year LLM is to provide students with the legal English skills necessary to succeed in an LLM program. Additionally, students will receive a foundation in US legal culture and history, as well as a strong set of legal studies skills.

Extended LLM: Three-semester option

For prospective students with impressive qualifications who need intensive English language training before commencing full-time law studies, we offer a three-semester "Extended LLM" option. Under this arrangement, you spend your first semester taking intensive English language courses at the Center for English Language & Orientation Programs (CELOP), as well as introductory courses at BU Law. You then complete the LLM degree requirements over the next two semesters.



Enrollment Option	LLM Programs This Can Apply To	Duration	Best For
Two-Year LLM	American Law, Banking, Taxation, Intellectual Property	2 years (including summer English between years 1 and 2)	Students seeking to vastly improve their English before their LLM program
Extended LLM	American Law, Banking, Taxation, Intellectual Property	One summer session, followed by 3 semesters	Students seeking to improve their English before their LLM program
Three-semester bar exam qualification	Taxation	3 semesters	Students seeking a specialized degree, who also want to qualify to sit for a state bar exam



Application and Contact Information

LLM candidates must apply using the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) application form. Visit www.lsac.org/llm for comprehensive information on our programs and detailed application instructions. To schedule a campus visit or speak with an admissions officer, please contact us:

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From the *Assistant Dean:*

BU Law's graduate programs have a long and distinguished history of **enhancing legal careers**. Employers throughout the world recognize that a BU LLM degree stands for intellectual rigor, superior instruction, real-world preparation, and professional achievement.

Behind our success is an unwavering commitment to your success. Our goal is clear: to provide a superior educational experience that transforms your standing in the legal profession, whether in the United States or abroad.

The BU Law difference begins in the classroom. Our faculty is ranked consistently at or near the top of the Princeton Review's "Best Professors" list. Your professors—both full-time scholars and accomplished, experienced practitioners—will inspire you like no others. You'll also find that the academic and professional development support we deliver through one-on-one counseling is custom-designed for you, as an individual. And you will fall in love with Boston, no doubt one of the world's greatest cities. Just ask anyone who's been here.

All this helps explain why our LLM graduates constantly tell us that their BU Law experience was **one of the best—if not the best—of their lives**; why 95% of last year's students reported their experience met or surpassed expectations; and why 99% would recommend BU Law to a colleague.

But no statistic speaks as powerfully about the BU Law difference as our LLM alumni—a global network of highly accomplished attorneys. We're happy to put you in touch with them. Just let us know.

I'm proud of our School's long legacy of excellence in LLM studies. And I am proud that we have built this legacy—and earned our reputation—the hard way: by focusing on one student at a time.

To learn more about the BU Law experience, visit our website. Or, even better, visit us in person. Maybe one of those students will be you.

John N. Riccardi

Assistant Dean, Graduate & International Programs



BU Law **teaching:** **America's** **finest**

BU Law's faculty is superior. We have the second-best professors in the nation, according to the Princeton Review. Under the guidance of these preeminent scholars and accomplished practitioners—law firm partners, in-house counsels, judges, advisors, consultants, and government officials at state and federal levels—you'll develop substantive expertise and practical skills. You'll find them accessible, approachable, expert at blending theory with practice, and committed to helping you become your best professional self. You'll stay in touch with them, too. They'll be a valuable source of counsel for you long after you graduate.

 **Schedule a campus visit at**
[bu.edu/law/llmvisit](https://www.bu.edu/law/llmvisit)

BU Law's graduate portfolio: six programs, six transformative experiences

Our LLM programs transform the careers of lawyers throughout the world. They appeal to a broad range of attorneys trained in the United States and internationally who share a singular ambition: preparation for leadership in law.

LLM IN AMERICAN LAW

Trains foreign-educated lawyers for global practice and cross-border work by immersing them in BU Law's JD curriculum, where they experience US legal education first-hand, at its finest.

LLM IN BANKING & FINANCIAL LAW

Prepares lawyers for leading positions in the dynamic, rapidly changing global banking and financial services industry. It's the nation's oldest financial services LLM program and the only one of its kind designed exclusively for graduate study.

LLM IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

Provides fundamental and advanced training in this all-important field of practice, including exposure to core doctrines and their application in the cutting-edge, evolving areas of digital networks and biotechnology.

EXECUTIVE LLM IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW

Delivers intensive instruction in the key topics of cross-border business deals through a flexible format designed for working professionals, blending interactive, web-based learning with two-week residency sessions in Boston or Budapest, Hungary.

GRADUATE TAX PROGRAM

One of the nation's premier programs for advanced studies in tax law, leading to the highly regarded LLM in Taxation. Equips lawyers with specialized training in the theory and practice of tax law, with courses available through residential, online, and hybrid formats.

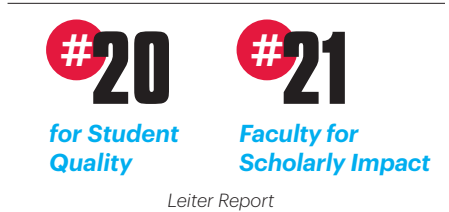
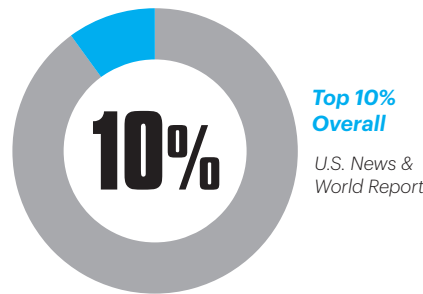
TWO-YEAR LLM

Enables students to pursue advanced legal English studies during their first year, and the BU LLM program in their second.



Recognized far and wide

BU Law's excellence is hardly a secret. Outside sources consistently rank us among the nation's very best.



Our LLM population: the company you'll keep

We tell our students that they might not remember every single law they study, but they will remember each other. And it's true. The diverse talents and backgrounds of your classmates form the richest of tapestries: you'll establish a professional network of astounding breadth and depth and develop friendships that last a lifetime.

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average age of LLM student

191

advanced
degrees held by
LLM students

180

law schools
represented

43

of countries
represented
by LLM students

LLM STUDENT BREAKDOWN*

1% from
Africa

33% from
Asia

8% from
Europe

9% from Latin
America

5% from the
Middle East

44% from North
America

* These numbers are reflective of BU Law's LLM enrollment during the spring 2016 semester.



Our focus: **your career**

We gauge our success by your professional success. As an LLM student, you'll have access to a professional development advising staff dedicated to working exclusively with our graduate students.

You'll meet individually with advisors to devise a self-marketing campaign aimed at securing **permanent jobs or short-term, post-graduation, practical training opportunities in the US or abroad**. We'll work with you to target your best opportunities and prepare you through an extensive array of career panels and workshops on résumé drafting, networking, and interviewing skills. You'll access Symplicity, BU Law's internal job-posting site, and receive biweekly professional development emails with job listings.

Our professional development team enables you to participate in specialty job fairs and in post-graduation internship programs. If you're a foreign-trained lawyer, you'll be able to take part in the annual International Student Interview Program (ISIP) in New York, which draws over 200 global employers each year.



The student experience: **engaged, connected,** **energized**

The first thing you'll likely notice is that there's never a dull moment at BU. As a full member of BU Law's community, you'll actively participate in the events and activities that define BU Law's high-energy, positive, dynamic learning environment, whether at the Law School itself or elsewhere on BU's bustling, urban Charles River Campus.

While each graduate program fosters its own tightly knit community, you'll find it easy to broaden your engagement by joining any of 30+ student organizations and taking part in "all-LLM" social events, from Red Sox and Bruins games to international potluck dinners and networking activities.

BU's commitment to creating connections extends to all of its LLM students, not just those in residence. Online Graduate Tax Program students connect through our award-winning distance learning technology; and our Executive LLM students form bonds online through their pre- and post-residency exchanges and when they gather together for live sessions in Boston or Budapest.

Advice and support: **it's all about you**

At BU Law, LLM students are people, not numbers. Our top reputation is closely linked

to the highly personalized treatment you'll receive. Our priority is ensuring that your study plan supports your professional path. Each program has its own dedicated staff, enabling you to receive support that suits your individual needs. Academic advising takes place in one-on-one sessions with the program directors or assistant directors, either in-person or by phone, depending on your preference.

If you're an international student interested in taking a state bar exam, you'll receive extensive counseling on eligibility requirements and bar preparation strategies. You also receive guidance on how to prepare applications to transfer to the JD program, if this is a goal.

BU Law's distinguished **alumni network:** **24,000 strong**

Since BU Law's founding in 1872, our graduates have established careers of consequence. You'll find them in nearly every practice setting throughout the nation and the world—in law firms of all sizes; federal, state, and local government agencies; the business world; nonprofit organizations; the judiciary; and the academy. As soon as you matriculate, you'll receive access to the BU Law Connection, our online database that facilitates connections among current students and alumni. Right off, you'll be on your way to achieving your place in the ranks of this stellar network of outstanding professionals.



Boston, MA: **East Coast America** **at its best**

Boston exhilarates. Ask anyone who has visited. Often called a European city on American shores, it offers something for everyone. A world-renowned music and cultural scene. Dozens of ethnic enclaves. Restaurants galore. A historic past blended with cutting-edge discovery and innovation. A legendary enthusiasm for sports. Picturesque beauty. One of the most diverse and educated populations on earth. And a rich quality of life. No matter your taste, you'll find it here.

With nearly 100 colleges and over 250,000 students in the Boston area, the city has earned the moniker "The Athens of America." The intellectual vibe is palpable—and fun.

At BU Law, you're right in the middle of it all. Just steps from campus, you can stroll or run along the splendid Charles River Esplanade. Fenway Park, home to the Boston Red Sox, is a 10-minute walk; downtown's charming Back Bay area is another 10 beyond that. Keep walking or hop on the "T" and you are at Boston's glorious Public Garden, and soon at the shoreline of the Atlantic Ocean. All along the way, you'll find points of historical interest and urban flair virtually unmatched by any other city.



Boston: a legal **laboratory**

The perfect place to study law and launch a career, Boston is a ready-made laboratory for legal training in a number of fields.

A hotbed for science and technology, it's known as the "Hub of the Biotech Universe" and the Silicon Valley of the East Coast. It's also a major financial center, home to America's mutual fund industry and scores of global firms, consultancies, and

businesses. For you, this means a remarkable pipeline of experienced practitioners to learn from—lawyers at the forefront of the law in myriad fields (intellectual property, banking and finance, health law, to name a few), hailing from the uppermost echelons of the practice. Few cities can match the depth of this resource.

To learn more about Boston, visit www.bostonusa.com/visit/. Or give us a call. We love nothing more than talking about our city.



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Financing your studies: **LLM Scholars Program**

BU Law seeks to attract the most highly qualified LLM students. All candidates for our residential LLM programs in Boston are eligible to receive merit-based scholarship awards in the form of partial tuition waivers through BU Law's LLM Scholars Program. **All applicants are automatically considered**, with no additional forms required. Generally, students receive notice of their awards at the time of admission. More information on financing your studies is available at bu.edu/law/finaid.



ACADEMIC POWERHOUSE

Boston University is a major urban global academic institution. Here are a few numbers to give you a sense of who we are:

33,000+
students enrolled

4TH-LARGEST
independent
nonprofit
university in the US

number of
schools and
colleges

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